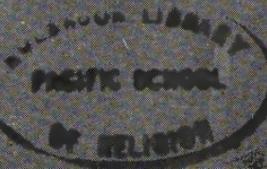


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"The Fruit of the Spirit," Maryland singing group, participated in the Middle Atlantic Regional Conference April 26-28 at New Windsor, Maryland. This group led the opening session on Friday evening and was a real blessing.

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- 11-17—Oregon Summer Conference, Camp Christian

There's Been a Change

Those who have read each issue of THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD carefully may have noted an important change. Beginning in 1974 with the February-March issue the magazine is no longer sold by subscription. Instead, it has been determined by Christian Endeavor International leaders that the publication is to be sent to all members and contributors without charge.

Through the pages of this official publication those who support the work will be kept up-to-date. They will learn what is being accomplished as a result of their gifts. We think this is a change for the better.

We are anxious to have news and pictures to be used in the publication along with suggestions for improvement.

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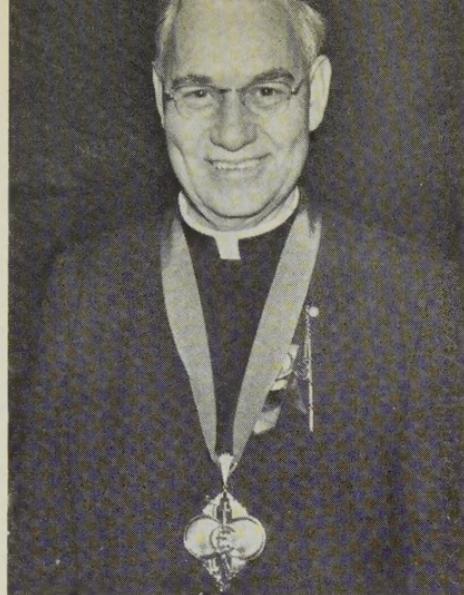
Dr. Clyde W. Meadows, president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, will receive the Fifteenth International Youth's Distinguished Service Citation at the Sunday afternoon session of the World's Convention on July 28 at Essen, Germany.

To be presented by Dr. LaVerne L. Boss and Rev. Charles W. Barner, resident and general secretary of the International Society, this Citation represents the highest award of the movement in North America.

Dr. Meadows will join a distinguished list of Citation recipients, which includes Herbert C. Hoover, Richard M. Nixon, Jerome Hines, Roy Rogers and Dale Evans, Vonda Kay Van Dyke, and Dr. Kenneth N. Taylor.

The Citation will recognize Clyde Meadows' personal effort and sacrifice over many years as a Christian Endeavor leader and as a pastor and bishop of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ.

Dr. Meadows served as president of the International Society from 1959 to 1963. At the World's Convention in Sydney, Australia, in 1962 he was inducted as president of the worldwide movement, the third person to hold this position of top leadership.



His predecessors were the founder, Dr. Francis E. Clark, who was president from 1895 when the union was organized until his death in 1927, and Dr. Daniel A. Poling, who served from 1927 to 1962.

Dr. Meadows has traveled three times around the world and has logged over a million and a half air miles, visiting 65 countries, during the last 12 years. He has helped weld the national unions together and has been instrumental in the organization of five new unions.

Dr. Meadows and his wife Mabel make their home in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, where he served as pastor of King Street United Brethren Church 1928-1961. In addition to his Christian Endeavor work, he is director of the Department of Evangelism of the Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association and is much in demand as an evangelist and song leader.



ABOVE — Clyde Meadows wears the World's Union chain of office as well as the International Society Presidential Chain. LEFT — The Distinguished Alumni Citation was presented to Dr. Meadows by Dr. J. Ralph Pfister of the Huntington College Alumni Association May 25.



17th World's Christian Endeavor Convention

July 24-28

ESSEN 1974

Among the more than 9,000 delegates expected at the World's Convention in Essen will be over 800 from outside Germany. Tour groups from England, Scotland, Ireland, Australia, Holland, and North America will help to swell the ranks of overseas delegates. Other countries which will be represented include Wales, Norway, Spain, Egypt, Austria, Belgium, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Jamaica, Guyana, Japan, Brazil, Trinidad, and a group of delegates from India.

Outstanding world leaders will address convention sessions: Wednesday, Dr. Clyde W. Meadows (U.S.A.), World's Union president, keynote message; Thursday, Siegfried Schaerer and Siegfried Geppert (Germany) present the German Tent Mission program; Friday, Bundespfarrer Rolf Woyke (Germany) will speak; Saturday, Dr. W. Stanley Mooneyham (U.S.A.), president of World Vision

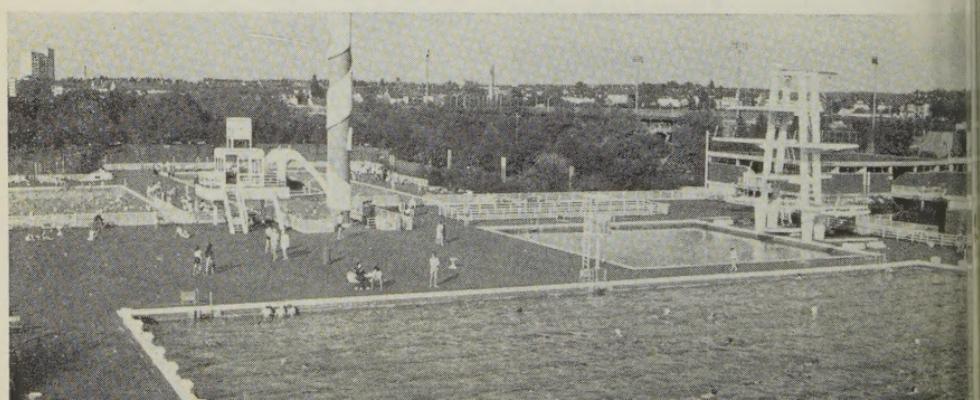
International, will address the delegates; and Sunday night Rev. Arno Pagel, president of the German Union, will speak at the closing session.

The first convention activity will be a service of prayer Wednesday afternoon, July 24, led by Rev. Frederick J. Nile of Australia.

An important part of the schedule will be the business meetings preceding the convention, to be held at the Mother House at Velbert, near Essen. The World's Union Finance Committee is scheduled Monday night, July 22; the Board of Trustees meets Tuesday morning and the Council (Corporation) Tuesday afternoon and evening and Wednesday morning.

The Council will elect World's Union officers for the 1974-78 quadrennium. The new officers will be installed at the closing session, when President Meadows will transfer the World Union chain of office to his successor.

Swimming Pool at the Gruga Park, Essen

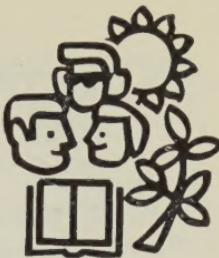


The 17th World's Christian Endeavor Convention in Essen, Germany, July 24-28 will be the highlight of two European Fellowship Tours sponsored by the International Society this summer. More than 9,000 delegates from every area of the world will be participating in the convention. Many youth will experience hostel housing during the days of the convention, while adults will live with German families or in hotels.

Dr. Clyde W. Meadows, president of the World's Union, heads a list of distinguished leaders of the tour parties from the International Society. The group includes the president, Dr. LaVerne H. Boss; the assistant to the president, Arch J. McQuilkin; the associate president, Jane A. Snow; three vice-presidents; and five state presidents. Delegates from the West Indies and the Pacific Islands are also included; William Donlin heads a group from Hawaii, Rev. Jude Samson from the Marshall Islands, Rev. Fiti Sunia from American Samoa, and Oswell Rankine from the Cayman Islands.

The first tour, under the direction of Phyllis I. Rike, departs from New York for Brussels Sunday, July 21, on a chartered jet. The tour party will number 250. The second tour group of 170 members departs New

VACATION WITH A PURPOSE



York for Amsterdam Monday, July 22, under the direction of Rev. Charles W. Barner. In addition to the convention, the circle tours will include visits to Amsterdam, Heidelberg, Strasbourg, Paris, and Brussels.

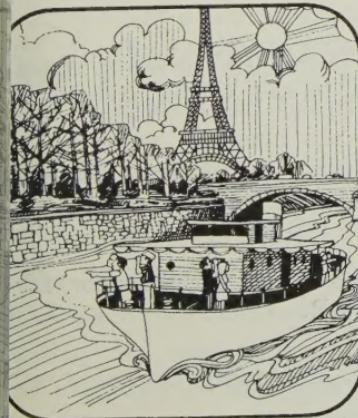
A group of 45 tour party members comes from the Perry County area of Pennsylvania. Rev. Russell Kerns, pastor of the Loysville Lutheran charge, is leader of the delegation. He and his "Christian Endeavor Clowns" are rumored to have many surprises in store for their fellow tourists and overseas contacts.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hauessler head a delegation of 17 young people and their counselors from Woodstock (New York) Reformed Church. This group from the foothills of the Catskills has conducted a lawn market, bake sales, and many other efforts to raise money for Operation Germany. A German Fair in May raised over \$1,500.

Many young people have planned various personal projects to raise money to pay for the cost of the tour. More than 100 under 25 years of age are participating in the tour.

Tour No. 1 will return to John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York City on Sunday, August 4. Tour No. 2 returns to the United States on Tuesday, August 6.

Although traveling independently, the presidents of the Canadian Union (Matthew Dunlop) and of the Mexican Union (Gamaliel Adame Brito) will also participate in the Essen Convention. A number of others, including a party of youth from Canada, will travel to Germany from the International Society.





BABY GROWTH

There was a baby born in the Solomon Islands in 1970. This baby was first brought up by three men from Australia. But, do you know what happened? The baby tried to eat Solomon Islands food. This was not good; the baby was thin and weak and did not grow well. Later the young people in the Solomons said, "Perhaps we will try to feed him on Island food." So they began to care for the baby in three ways.

Firstly — they considered which would be the best food for him to eat in order to make him healthy.

Secondly — they had to find a way for him to play with other children in the Islands.

Thirdly — they thought of the exercises which would help him to grow sturdy and strong.

Four years later the baby is growing well and strong and is moving around the Islands visiting schools and villages. In November 1973, for three days, the people who are looking after the baby met at Auki. They were happy as they listened to reports from where their son had been.

The first report was from his father (the President). He said, "It is very exciting to see new societies being formed in both schools and villages, and young people in many places very interested. Forty societies altogether have been formed."

His mother (the Treasurer) reported next. "Thank God, because young people now realize the importance of giving money to help others, instead of keeping it for themselves."

Lastly, his aunt (the Missionary Convenor) gave her report. "Thank God a goodly number of magazines have come in freely from many praying friends."

During this meeting these people planned the program for their son for 1974. The baby's name is CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Written by Unity Unasi, Missionary Convenor
Solomon Islands Christian Endeavor Union

TRIBUTE TO GEORGE H. NELSON

By Dr. Clyde W. Meadows

George Henry Nelson, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, age 76, a faithful servant of the Lord and beloved friend, vice-president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, went to his heavenly reward Friday, May 3, 1974. He had fallen at his home April 20 and broken his leg, it was getting along so well at the hospital that he expected to soon return home. He was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage, lapsed into unconsciousness, and died within a couple of hours. He is survived by his wife Lily, whose address is 8 Jupetta Street, Aspley Heights, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia 4034, a daughter, Mrs. G. A. (Joy Nelson) Milligan, a son Raymond G. Nelson, and several grandchildren.

He was active in Christian Endeavor since 1918. For over 40 years he was a leader in the worldwide movement. He and his wife traveled extensively in the interest of Christian Endeavor in all parts of the world and participated in many world conventions and conferences. When the 10th World's Convention was held at Melbourne, Australia, in 1938 he was president of the Australia Union and also vice-president of the World's Union, which position he held until the time of his death. His enthusiasm for Christian Endeavor and his good judgment and ability to get along with others were a great asset to the movement through the years.

For 40 years he was a member of Queensland Methodist Conference, serving as connectional treasurer, and chairman of the finance committee. He was a lay preacher 55 years.

Mr. Nelson was active in civic affairs, having served on Brisbane City Council 30 years. From 1942 to 1959 he was manager of the Brisbane Permanent Banking Co. In 1936-37 he was state president of the Commonwealth Institute of Accountants; 1954-55 he was Brisbane Rotary Club president and Rotary District Governor 1958-59. From 1960 to 1964 he was chairman of Brisbane YMCA and director of the Temperance League.

We shall miss his congenial presence and wise counsel in the world meetings of Christian Endeavor, but trust the God whom he served so faithfully to lay the mantle of George Nelson upon the shoulders of another that the work of Christian Endeavor may go forward in its various ministries around the world.

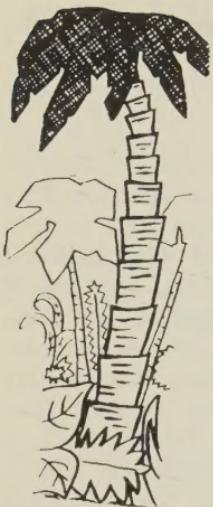
Planning an Estate?

In your estate planning remember Christian Endeavor International in your will, that its ministry may be undergirded in the days ahead.

A Sample Bequest:

I give and bequeath to the International Society of Christian Endeavor, Columbus, Ohio, the sum of _____ Dollars.

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Phyllis I. Rike, Treasurer
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ISLANDS OF THE PACIFIC

By Dr. Clyde W. Meadows

Presidential tours have been a major feature of the present administration, which has taken the president to 65 countries of the world in the work of Christian Endeavor and to many of them several times. The total travel mileage of the president in these twelve years has been over one and a half million miles. Through personal visits of the president to various parts of the world new national unions have been organized and established; national unions have been encouraged and brought into a closer relationship with the World's Union.

The most recent of the nine presidential tours during the present quadrennium was to the islands in the Pacific, June 5-20, 1974, which took me to Majuro, Marshall Islands, in the Micronesian group, a trust area of the U.S.A. located about 3,000 miles southwest of Hawaii.

Majuro is a tropical coral island about 36 miles long and not more than a city block wide in a circular pattern and is well covered with coconut trees. The Pacific Ocean is on the outer side and the lagoon on the other. There is no point of land more than three feet above sea level. I thought to myself, "If a big wave hits this island in the time of a storm, it will sweep across it and take with it the 8,000 people that live here." But when I expressed this fear I was assured there was little chance of a storm since the last storm to come to the island was in 1882, and that if it did come the waves would be broken up by the outer coral reef before they got to the island. It indeed is a tropical paradise with plenty of coconuts, bananas, breadfruit, fish, and pineapples.

A hard surface road runs from one end of the island to the other. An airport is located about the middle of the island with a single runway

that runs lengthwise with the island and uses the entire width except for a narrow road for about two miles. Incidentally, the runway and apron space on each side are used as a catchment for rainwater supply. The water is pumped to a large reservoir and thence through a purifying system to the people. The rainfall is sufficient to provide adequate water supply. Electric power is supplied through diesel-driven generators.

Life Centers Around the Church

The church indeed is central in the lives of the people on Majuro Island and Christian Endeavor is a major activity in each congregation. The Rev. Jude Samson is pastor of the Uliga Protestant Church (Congregational or United Church of Christ) the largest congregation on the island. I preached there Sunday morning June 9, to about 2,500 people and noticed that the bulletin reported 2,327 in attendance the Sunday before. That afternoon I preached in the Rita Protestant Church, the Rev. Hansen Lalimo, pastor, to a congregation of over 600. I also visited and enjoyed a picnic at the Laura Protestant Church at the other end of the island, where the Rev. Hiram Lang-

rik is the pastor and has a congregation of over 400. On a given Sunday these three congregations will have over 3,500 in attendance or about half the total population. I do not believe this could happen anywhere in the U.S.A. Rev. Jude Samson is the president of the Marshall Islands Christian Endeavor Union in addition to his pastoral duties and expects to attend the 17th World's Convention in Essen, Germany, along with 10 other delegates from the Marshalls.

While I was on Majuro about 60 Christian Endeavor leaders and pastors gathered from a dozen different lands and I conducted with them four one-hour seminar periods in the story, organization, and effective methods of operation of Christian Endeavor. Some of these leaders came from islands over 350 miles away. They had to spend over a week in getting to Majuro by boat and would do the same to get home. The ships do not come directly to Majuro, but from island to island and that not according to any established schedule.

The Marshallese are a most gracious people. Every meal for me was a feast or a banquet and they gave me many presents from their artistic handiwork and handcraft.

sit to Hawaii

In Honolulu I met with Christian Endeavor leaders, including Dr. Abraham Akaka, pastor of the Kawaiahao Church, and William Donlin, president of the Hawaiian Christian Endeavor Union. In fact, I stayed at the home of Bill and Beth Donlin on the mountainside where one has a "million dollar" view of Honolulu, Pearl Harbor, and Diamond Head. The Kawaiahao Church put on a musical and a semi-luau for me, at which I spoke of "Christian Endeavor around the World."

The 152nd Aha Paeaina of the Hawaiian United Church of Christ was held in the historic Haili Congregational Church in Hilo, Hawaii. It was also the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the Haili Church. The Rev. Kahu David Kaapu is the pastor.

Each of the five days of the Aha the state Christian Endeavor union had a sunrise service at 6:00 a.m. at which I spoke. I also gave an address to the more than 300 delegates during one of the general sessions.

The Aha Paeaina is under the leadership of Dr. Chester Terpstra as general secretary/conference minister, a long-time Christian Endeavorer. The Rev. William Kaina is the Hawaiian Churches coordinator. The general secretary/conference minister is what many denominations would call the bishop of the church.

It was reported that this was the first time a World's Christian Endeavor President had been invited to share in an Aha Paeaina. I observed that these people of Hawaii are deeply interested in the work of Christian Endeavor. About a dozen of them will be at the World's Convention in Essen, Germany.

The Hawaiians, like many island groups in the Pacific, are a very musical people. The Haili Church has eight organized choirs. One of these, The Cantata Choir (42 voices), presented during the Aha John W. Peterson's missionary cantata, "So Send I You."

While I was in Hilo, Walter Nomura, secretary of the Aha and former president of the Hawaiian Christian Endeavor, took me to see the banyan tree planted in 1936 by Dr. Daniel A. Poling along the famous Banyan Drive. It has developed into a great and beautiful tree, symbolic of the spread of Christian Endeavor around the world.

Who May Enter

All youth in the United States and Canada who are members of a Christian Endeavor society or similar youth group and who have not reached their 25th birthday by February 15, 1975, may enter the individual category.

All Christian Endeavor societies and similar youth groups in the United States and Canada, with a majority of members under 25 years of age, may compete for the society awards.

What to Enter

Individuals may enter an article, editorial, talk, poster, black and white photograph, cartoon, or activity. Societies may enter a Christian witness project by the society or youth group. All entries will be carefully evaluated on the basis of Christian witness to the community and overall effectiveness in implementing the purpose of the program.

Important Dates

All entries must be postmarked by February 15, 1975, and must be received by the International Society in Columbus, Ohio, no later than February 25. Awards will be announced April 8 and will be presented during the 53rd International Convention in Portland, Oregon, June 30-July 4, 1975.

Awards

Top award for individuals is \$125 plus a grant up to \$100 for expense of attending the Portland Convention. Second award is \$100 plus a \$75 grant; third is \$75, fourth is \$50 plus three runner-up awards of \$25.

The winning group will receive \$150 plus a grant up to \$150 for youth representatives to attend the Portland Convention. The second-place award is \$100 plus a \$75 travel grant; third place is \$75 with a \$50 travel grant. The fourth-place society will receive \$50 and three runners-up \$25 each.



SPEAK UP FOR JESUS

Christian Endeavor challenges youth to witness to their faith in Jesus Christ through the Christian Youth Witness Program.

The 1975 awards program for individuals and Christian Endeavor societies has just been announced by Rev. Charles W. Barner, general secretary of the International Society.

Participants will be eligible for the Albert H. Diebold Awards, totaling \$1,325 in cash and grants to attend the International Convention in Portland, Oregon, plus award plaques and honor certificates.

For the 19th year the awards are named in honor of Albert H. Diebold, a Christian layman of New York City who died in 1964. Through his generous financial support, continued through the Diebold Foundation, this program is made possible.

Full details may be secured by writing to Mr. Barner at P.O. Box 1110, Columbus, Ohio 43216.

Purpose

To generate in Christian youth a desire to give witness to their faith in Jesus Christ and to serve together for Christ and the Church in their community, nation, and world, both now and in the years to come.

Suggested Scope and Areas of Witness

Demonstrate the difference Jesus Christ makes in each life and all of life. Demonstrate how youth can make their Christian convictions vitally effective in all their daily relationships.

Challenge Christian youth to relate themselves to Jesus Christ and His Gospel message in such areas as: the home, civic life, school, or recreation. Sponsor a project showing the teaching of the Gospel message concerning one or more evils such as: prejudice, Communism, gambling, or obscene literature.

Conduct a program of evangelism among youth such as: revivals, street meetings, tract distribution, or visitation programs.

Conduct a program of education on the effects of smoking, the use of alcohol, or the use of narcotics.

Encourage the proper observance of the Lord's Day.

Encourage and help establish wholesome recreational facilities.

Urge Christian participation in politics.

Participate in Freedoms Foundation programs.

Distribute portions of Scripture and encourage Bible reading and prayer.

Provide training in personal evangelism, culminating in an approach such as youth-to-youth witnessing.

Organize one or more Christian Endeavor societies in another church or area.

In the 1974 Christian Youth Witness Program the top award for individual entries went to Michele C. Linders of Washington, D.C., for collection of original poems, entitled "Peace, Jesus, Love." First place in the society competition was awarded to the Christian Endeavor Youth Fellowship of Unity Presbyterian Church, Mercer, Pennsylvania, for its year-long REACH OUT project.

The winners in the 1974 Program received their Albert H. Diebold Awards at special presentations arranged in the various local areas. These winners plus the 1975 winners will be recognized during the banquet at the Portland Convention, when the 1975 awards will be presented. Winning youth will be used as program participants.



NEWS

Personalia

June 22 was the date when *Lynn E. Stanley* and *David E. Kumpe* were united in marriage at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church in St. Louis, Missouri. Lynn served as chairman of the Youth Assembly and a member of the Executive Committee of Christian Endeavor International 1971-73 and David was a member of the Board of Trustees. Best wishes to the new Mr. and Mrs. Kumpe!

On May 17 *P. Raymond Bartholomew*, Pennsylvania Union president, underwent an emergency operation for a ruptured appendix, spending a week in the intensive care unit. Latest word is that he is now feeling fine. He has been reelected as president of the Keystone State for another two year term, 1974-76.

While on vacation in Western Australia in May *P. A. R. Chesterton*, past president of the Australian Union, had a heart attack. After a month in the hospital he is recuperating, but must remain in Western Australia for two more months before returning home to New South Wales in August.

William E. Goodwin of Brookpark was elected president of the Ohio Union, succeeding *Larry W. Clark*, at the union's annual convention June 21-23 at Otterbein College, Westerville.

Rev. Billy K. Simbo, former president of the Sierra Leone Union, has been appointed as associate lecturer at the Sierra Leone Bible College. He is the first national on the staff. Billy and his wife Mamei have three children, Alan, Ada, and baby Amie. He will be remembered by many as

a delegate to the 1970 World's Convention in Canada.

Golden Wedding Anniversaries

A number of Christian Endeavor couples are celebrating golden wedding anniversaries in 1974.

Congratulations to *Frank and Pauline Wilson* of Virginia, who mark this happy occasion on June 25.

On August 13 *Clyde and Melinda Meadows* will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary and *Arch and Helen McQuilkin* will mark this milestone in their married life on September 10.

Pennsylvania Field Secretary

New field secretary for the Pennsylvania Union beginning May 16 is *Rev. Franklin H. Schock*, Evangelical Congregational minister. Frank and his wife Eileen are residing in Allentown, Pennsylvania. The state unit plans a vigorous program of extension and field contacts.

International Congress

The International Congress of World Evangelization will convene July 16-25 in Lausanne, Switzerland. *Warwick Olson*, former Christian Endeavor worker in Australia, is director of communications for the Congress.

Evangelical leaders from 150 countries—2,700 strong—will meet together to relate Biblical truth to crucial issues facing Christians everywhere.

Representing the World's Christian Endeavor Union will be *Rev. Arno Pagel*, vice-president. Other Endeavorers from a number of countries will participate, including *Bishop Solomon Doraisawmy* of India, also World's Union vice-president.



ENDEAVORERS IN ACTION

Report from India

In the June-July-August 1974 issue of YOUTH TODAY, Pennsylvania's publication, the India traveling secretary, Rev. Albert Jacob, reports on plans for pioneer field work in four states. He and Rev. J. V. Daliha Dhas, the second traveling secretary, will tour extensively in Gujarat, Punjab, Haryana, and Himachal, in an effort to organize Christian Endeavor on a state level in all four states.

Bombay Youth Operation is a new project of youth witnessing to youth. Bombay youth seem to be indifferent to the things of the Lord, so this operation is working among them to bring them to the Lord by means of literature and personal contacts. The Juniors of the state have started a Christian Endeavor Bookshop at Mumbai, which will take care of the needs of Endeavorers on an all-India level. "We have many youth sincere seekers with whom we are working," states Mr. Jacob. He also comments that in 1973 the India leadership passed into the hands of youth, in the persons of B. K. Pramanik, the new general secretary, and Y. R. Joseph, newly-elected treasurer.

KPLO '74

The purpose of KPLO '74, to be held in Seoul, Korea, August 14-18, 1974, is to be an international training congress on evangelism. Sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ International, it is anticipated that 100,000 Koreans will participate—10,000 high school students, 30,000 college students, 100,000 laymen representing 12,000 churches, and two leaders from each village. In addition,



NEW OFFICERS — Robert S. Hildreth (right) installs new officers of the Franklin County (Ohio) Union at the annual convention in Columbus May 19. Officers shown are Danny Kopp, treasurer; Steven Thompson, president; and Barbara Cooper, who served as president 1972-74.

there will be 8,000 to 10,000 delegates from other countries of the world.

More than 7,000 Korean pastors and Christian leaders have been trained to give leadership to EXPLO '74 delegates and a 10,000-voice choir will perform nightly.

Living Memorials

Recent gifts have been received by Christian Endeavor International in Columbus, Ohio, in memory of the following:

Vere Abbey (India)
Mr. and Mrs. W. Blair (Missouri)
Mrs. Francis E. Clark (Massachusetts)
Dr. William Hiram Foulkes (New York)
Dr. Earle W. Gates (New York)
Dr. Harry N. Holmes (Australia)
Commissioner Frederick A. Wallis (Kentucky)

Dr. L. E. H. Smith (New York)

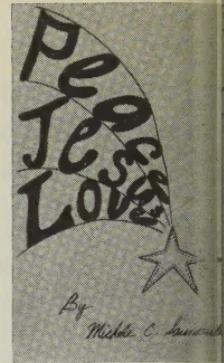
These memorial gifts advance the work of Christian Endeavor. To give a living memorial send contributions with the name of persons to be so remembered to Columbus Headquarters.

More Prize-Winning Poems

By Michele C. Saunders

For these poems which helped raise funds for Africa famine relief, Michele C. Saunders of Washington, D.C. won first place individual honors in the 1974 Christian Youth Witness Program.

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HE TOUCHED ME

*One day, oh, so long ago
I felt the presence of a
Supreme being.
A being more powerful than any
ordinary man,
Full of grace, love, joy and
understanding.
He began to move closer, and
He touched me, with a kind
of gentle touch I'd never felt,
Yes, on that day I was
touched by the presence of
my Lord, my Saviour, my Redeemer.
I did not think one being could
change me so,
but my Lord did.
Yes, He touched me that day,
touched me with His tender
understanding love, and I can still
feel His presence today,
because He touched me!*

I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO GOD

*I pledge allegiance to God,
the true maker of mankind.
Not only do I give my heart;
but, also, my soul and mind.
And to truth for which He stands,
He'll lead me as I take His hand.
One heaven, One God, one love to give
not only for your family, but to all
those who live.*

THE LORD KNOWS

*Oh Peace, why must you take
so long to come?
Lord knows with this chaos
we certainly could use some.
Oh Love, please do not
fade away.
Lord knows with love in our
hearts, we'll certainly find the way.
Yes, the Lord knows our thoughts.
He knows our actions, too.
But it's up to us to decide
what we want to do.
So give your life to Him
today,
And trust in Him, He'll
show you the way.*

LOOK AT IT THIS WAY...



SPEAK UP FOR CHRIST

International Society of Christian Endeavor

By Dr. LaVerne H. Boss, President

In God's Holy Word we read about the enthusiasm, commitment, and burning desire in the hearts of Christians in the early church. Today's church, heir apparent of that victorious heritage, is too often identified with lack of enthusiasm and possibly with dismal failure. Former enthusiasm has turned into back-biting and the former objective of seeking the lost is not considered of too great importance.

The church many times is too close to the pollution of a sinful world and frequently has seemingly slipped into a complacent and easy rut. In fact, it might be classified as being spiritually dead, or at least a trace of rigor mortis is detected.

I do not mean to paint a gloomy picture, for as I have visited Christian Endeavor societies and churches across North America, I have found many lighthouses where the pollution of the world has been kept at bay by strong Christian faith and commitment. These are the societies and churches where the Christian Gospel is preached. Personal salvation is stressed, with service and commitment to Jesus Christ demonstrated in a positive way.

Recently I read in a religious publication that "many individual members of churches are spiritually 'fat and lazy'—compared to saints of old who ed on the Scripture and then did their spiritual jogging testifying for Christ along the paths and in the hamlets of their little world." The call is loud and clear to SPEAK UP FOR CHRIST.

Everyone has a talent or some ability; everyone has a mission and responsibility. We need members who are willing to be Christ's spokesmen. His challenge to us in Scripture is very clear. "If ye will confess me before men, will confess you before my Father who is in heaven."

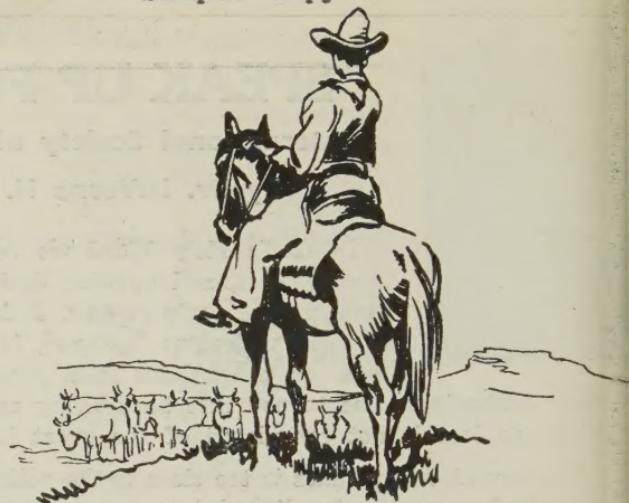
If your Christian Endeavor society or local church is a social organization, plead with you to organize around God's Word. Encourage and stimulate your members to assume a responsibility and become ambassadors of Jesus Christ. This is the only way to become a meaningful instrument in God's hand. Break the magnetic pull of this earth, its pollution and sin, and redirect your efforts in a positive Christ-centered mission.

At work, at play, at school, in the office, in the store, on the farm, and in the home, let us speak up and stand up as Christian witnesses. Let the redeemed of the Lord be heard until every neighborhood and community—in fact, all the world—has heard the good news of salvation!

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Oregon Endeavors will host the 53rd International Christian Endeavor Convention June 30-July 4 next year in Portland. Convention activities will center in Lewis and Clark College, where delegates will be housed. An inclusive "package plan" will be announced soon.

Convention features, in addition to evening mass meetings and morning Quiet Hours and conferences, include special assemblies each day; rap sessions, a coffeehouse, and adult activities each night; a hymnsing in downtown Portland; and a closing banquet.

Use of chartered planes to provide economical travel to the West Coast is being investigated, as well as post-convention tours. Write for details.

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